(c) No death due to delayed diagnosis has been reported from Govt, hospitals upto September, 1999.

(d) Blood testing facilities to diagnose the diseases are available with all Government hospitals and some CGHS dispensaries in Delhi.

(e) Does not arise.

**Life Expectancy**

447. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the life expectancy during the last five years; and

(b) what is the expected life expectancy during the next ten Years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE SHRI NT. SHANMUGAM: (a) The estimates of life expectancy of birth for India for the last 5 years (1991 to 1995) are stated below:

| Period | Life expectancy | at birth (in years) Females |
|---|---|---|
| 1987-91 | 58.1 | 58.6 |
| 1988-92 | 58.6 | 59.0 |
| 1989-93 | 59.0 | 59.7 |
| 1990-94 | 59.4 | 60.4 |
| 1991-95 | 59.7 | 60.9 |

(b) The projected values of the expectation of life at birth for India during the periods 1996-2001 and 2001—2006 as estimated by the Technical Group on Population Projections constituted by the Planning Commission are as follows:

| Period | Males | Females |
|---|---|---|
| 1996-2001 | 62.36 | 63.39 |
| 2001-2006 | 64.11 | 65.43 |

**Primary Health Care System**

448. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister for HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been neglecting the primary health care System in the country, which is the backbone of the developing country;

(b) if so, the number of Primary Health Centres set up in each of the States during the past three years;